# LESSON 6 AUGER RIGS & EQUIPMENT

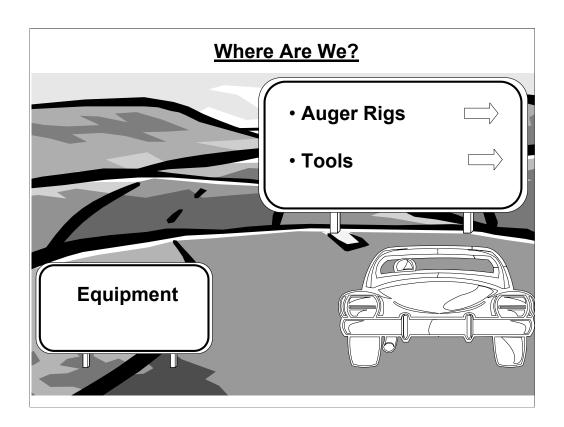
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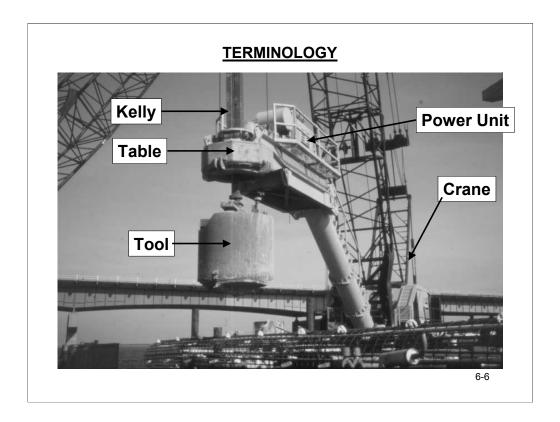
### **LESSON 6**

## AUGER RIGS & EQUIPMENT



#### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- Identify auger rig components
- Locate and employ information on auger rigs
- Identify drilling tools and explain their uses



**Crane**- This is the carrier or main component-Most common rotary- Can be truck, track, crane or crawler mounted.

**Power Unit-** This unit provides the power that turns the table and kelly.

**Kelly-** This is the rod that runs through the table and the tools are attached to. Can be one-piece or telescoping.

**Table-** This is connected to the power unit and is what turns the kelly.

**Tool-** These are the bits, auger, buckets, etc. that go down the hole.

#### **TERMINOLOGY**

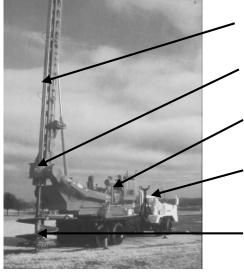
Buckets- generally two types;

Digging- for excavating soils or soft rock

Cleanout- for cleaning of the shaft

**Bits**- typically are for excavating (drilling) and can be either auger or barrel type. Certain types used for soil and certain types for rock.





#### **RIGS**

#### **Predominately**

- American Manufacturer Types
- European Manufacturer Types

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The variety of auger rigs available to contractors is considerable, particularly when you include both U.S. and European technology. Catalogs from the early 1900's show that bucket type auger drills were available even then, if you owned a horse to power it. Mechanical units were developed in the 1920's with production models in the late 1930's. This early history appears to have had its roots in Texas.

Reportedly the famous Hughes LL Series of diggers were being manufactured at the rate of 70 to 80 units per year in the late 1970's and early 1980's. Beginning in the early 1980's, it was clear that most equipment manufacturers in the U.S. were moving away from mechanical designs, opting instead for torque converters to deliver power to the rotary table/kelly bar drills.

Importing of European designed drills began roughly a decade ago and is gaining popularity among some contractors. Out of Germany are units built by Delmag and Bauer. SoilMec is one of the leading Italian manufacturers as are Casagrande and IMT. All of these companies now have manufacturers' representatives in the United States.

Perhaps one of the most attractive features of the European designs is the ability of the drill equipment to install casing. Many of these units are capable of drilling holes 120" (3 m) in diameter, to a maximum depths of 120 feet (40 m). Where casing is required, the drill utilizes a high torque, top-head drive along with down pressure to advance sections of casing which can be easily bolted to the casing adaptor (drive head). An auger or drilling bucket can remain attached to the kelly and used to remove material as required to facilitate advancement of the casing.

#### **TYPES OF RIGS**

- Truck-Mounted Rigs
- Carrier-Mounted Rigs
- Crane-Mounted Rigs
- Crawler-Mounted Rigs

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Crane attachments in conjunction with large vibratory hammers appear to be the most popular equipment combination for contractors on big projects today. However, contractors tend to own equipment that works best for the type of work they do most often. There also appears to be a certain "mind-set" among some who favor a particular line of equipment and simply won't consider any other kind.

What this means to us as Inspectors is that we are apt to see a wide variety of drill units on DOT work. In this lesson, the basic types of both American and European equipment are discussed so that the majority of the name brands will be familiar and you can better identify the relative sizes and capabilities of the various drill units.



#### TYPES OF RIGS-LIGHT TRUCK-MOUNTED

Calweld

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The design diameter and depth of the shafts for a particular job will largely dictate what types of equipment will be the most economical to use. For instance, most high mast lighting foundations can be excavated with truck-mounted equipment similar to that illustrated above.

#### **TYPES OF RIGS-LIGHT TRUCK-MOUNTED**



H & T 635 48" Dia.; 35 ft.



#### TYPES OF RIGS-CARRIER-MOUNTED

Texoma Taurus XL 120 in. Dia; 120 ft.

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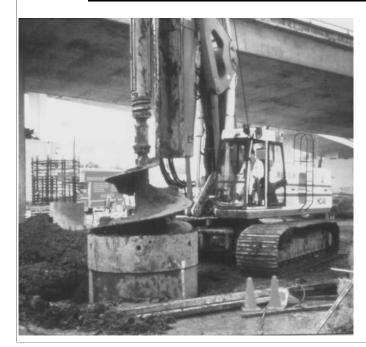
For large hole diameters and greater depths, equipment weights dictate that crane carriers be used if rubber-tired transport is desired.



#### TYPES OF RIGS-CARRIER-MOUNTED

IMT AF16-A 80 in. Dia; 200 ft.

#### **TYPES OF RIGS- CRAWLER-MOUNTED**

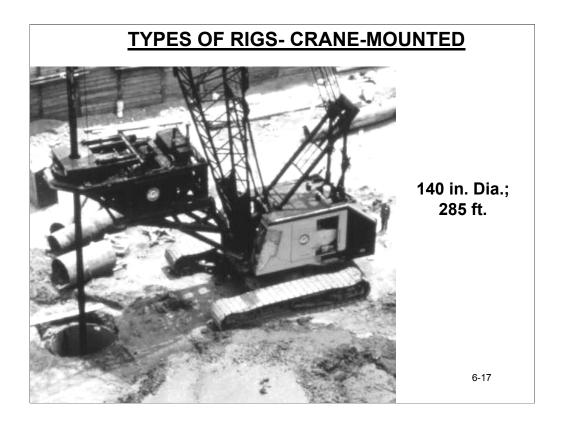


Soilmec R622 100 in. Dia; 245 ft.



#### TYPES OF RIGS-CRAWLER-MOUNTED

Bauer 120 in. Dia; 195 ft.



If there is a need for a larger drill, with greater torque and depth capability, contractors frequently use, what is termed in the industry as "crane attachment" drills. The power of some of these rigs can be truly impressive. Crane attachments come as a unit, including a diesel engine, transmission and torque converter driving a heavy duty rotary table through which a kelly is installed. The entire drill unit is attached to a crane using a "bridge" which allows the rotary table to be rigidly held and sufficiently elevated to accommodate the drilling tools anticipated for the job. Given the power advantages offered by large crane attachments, it is the ability to vary the working room (clearance) under the rotary table which makes this type of drill so attractive for many jobs.

The depth capability of crane attachment drills is dependent on the crane used.

#### **TYPES OF RIGS- CRANE-MOUNTED**



Hain 754

Diameter and Depth dependent upon configuration.

#### **RIG INFORMATION**

Contact the Manufacturers for the latest information on the various models and capabilities

See Following detailed information sheets for contact information and rig capabilities

#### **DRILLED SHAFT AUGER RIGS**

#### **AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS**



#### ATLANTIC EQUIPMENT COMPANY

Post Office Box 1 3710 Lee Highway Gainesville, VA 22065 *Tel:(800) 822-8248* (703) 754-7114 *Fax:(703) 754-7437* 

MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.				MAX. TORQUE	
Drill Master TMCD60T	75"	1900 mm	57'	18 m	33,333 ft-lbs	45 kNm
Drill Master DM80T	95"	2400 mm	100'	30 m	51,622 ft-lbs	70 kNm
Williams LDH	88"	2235 mm	100'	30 m	49,410 ft-lbs	67 kNm
Williams LLDH	120"	3048 mm	115	36 m	99,557 ft-lbs	135 kNm

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RIGS	DRIVERS	EQUIPMENT
Soilmec Models	H.M. Vibro PTC	Osterberg Load Cell

#### DRILLED SHAFT AUGER RIGS AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS



#### **CALWELD**

190 Industrial Boulevard Post Office Box 534 McKinney, TX 75070-0534 *Tel:(214) 548-9211 Fax:(214) 548-9956* 

MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.			. SHAFT EPTH	MAX. T	ORQUE
ADL ADM 125 CH (Crane) 155 CH (Crane) 400 CH (Crane)	72" 60" 186" 186" 204"	1828 mm 1524 mm 4730 mm 4730 mm 5180 mm	100' 57' * *		64,896 ft-lbs 64,896 ft-lbs 124,631ft-lbs 152,654 ft-lbs 399,705 ft-lbs	88 kNm 88 kNm 169 kNm 207 kNm 542 kNm

<sup>\*</sup> Dependent upon crane size and capability



#### STEVEN M. HAIN CO.

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MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA. MAX. SHAFT DEPTH		MAX. TO	ORQUE
4-71//3531-3 (Crane) 8V71/754 (Crane) 3-53T/3331-1 (Crane)	* *	* *	167,404 ft-lbs 374,631 ft-lbs 102,507 ft-lbs	5 - 5 - 272 - 1 - 1

<sup>\*</sup> Dependent upon crane size and capability

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#### REEDRILL/TEXOMA

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MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.		H	X. SHAFT DEPTH	MAX. T	ORQUE
Texoma 600 Texoma 700 Texoma 800 Texoma 900 Texoma Taurus XL Texoma C-100	72"	1,828 mm	30'	10 m	40,560 ft-lbs	55 kNm
	72"	1,828 mm	57'	18 m	53,834 ft-lbs	75 kNm
	85"	2,438 mm	85'	207 m	57,522 ft-lbs.	78 kNm
	85"	2,438 mm	115'	36 m	104,719 ft-lbs.	142 kNm
	120"	3,048 mm	115'	36 m	143,805 ft-lbs.	195 kNm
	85"	2,438 mm	115'	36 m	99,557 ft-lbs.	135 kNm



#### WATSON

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MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.			SHAFT PTH	MAX. TO	ORQUE
1500	76"	1,930 mm	86'	27 m	56,047 ft-lbs.	76 kNm
2500	86"	2,440 mm	86'	27 m	80,383 ft-lbs.	109 kNm
3100	86"	2,440 mm	115'	36 m	99,557 ft-lbs.	135 kNm
500CA (Crane)	120"	3,050 mm	138'	43 m	98,820 ft-lbs	134 kNm
EDT-7 (Crane)	54"	1,370 mm	87'	18 m	53,834 ft-lbs	73 kNm

#### **DRILLED SHAFT AUGER RIGS**

#### **EUROPEAN MANUFACTURERS**



#### **BAUER**

Post Office Box 1 3710 Lee Highway Gainesville, VA 22065 *Tel:(800) 822-8248* (703) 754-7114 *Fax:(703) 754-7437* 

MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.					MAX. TO	RQUE
BG9	52"	1300 mm	130'	40 m	68,584 ft-lbs	90 kNm	
BG14	72"	1800 mm	180'	55 m	103,244 ft-lbs	140 kNm	
BG18	72"	1800 mm	130'	40 m	162,241 ft-lbs	220 kNm	
BG30	120"	3000 mm	195'	60 m	265,486 ft-lbs	360 kNm	
BG50	100"	2500 mm	260'	80 m	265,486 ft-lbs	360 kNm	



#### **CASAGRANDE**

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MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.		MAX. SHAFT DEPTH		MAX. TORQUE	
B130E	65"	2,500 mm	155'	48 m	93,657 ft-lbs	127 kNm
B220	100"		218'	68 m	152,654 ft-lbs	207 kNm
C600	100"		265'	81 m	401,917 ft-lbs	545 kNm
C800	100"		265'	81 m	294,985 ft-lbs	400 kNm

#### **DRILLED SHAFT AUGER RIGS**

#### **EUROPEAN MANUFACTURERS**



#### IMT

Post Office Box 1 3710 Lee Highway Gainesville, VA 22065 *Tel:(800) 822-8248* (703) 754-7114

MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.				l l	MAX. TO	ORQUE
AF6	48"	1,200 mm	105'	32 m	46,460 ft-lbs	63 kNm	
AF10	60"	1,500 mm	135'	42 m	75,221 ft-lbs	102 kNm	
AF12	60"	1,800 mm	195'	60 m	84,808 ft-lbs	115 kNm	
AF15	72"	1,800 mm	193'	60 m	115,044 ft-lbs	156 kNm	
AF18	72"	1,800 mm	190'	59 m	136,430 ft-lbs	185 kNm	
AF20	80"	2,000 mm	200'	62 m	147,492 ft-lbs	200 kNm	
AF50	120"	3,000 mm	285'	89 m	368,731 ft-lbs	500 kNm	



#### **SOILMEC**

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MODEL	MAX. SHAFT DIA.			SHAFT PTH	MAX. TO	RQUE
R-208	48"	1,200 mm	130'	40 m	77,651 ft-lbs	82 kNm
R-312	60"	1,500 mm	130'	40 m	83,333 ft-lbs	113 kNm
R- <b>4</b> 12	60"	1,500 mm	150'	46 m	80,383 ft-lbs	109 kNm
R-515	60"	1,500 mm	200'	62 m	105,457 ft-lbs	143 kNm
R-618	80"	2,000 mm	193'	60 m	126,843 ft-lbs	172 kNm
R-622	100"	2,500 mm	245'	76 m	148,230 ft-lbs	201 kNm
RT3-ST (Crane)	100"	2,500 mm	260'	80 m	151,916 ft-lbs	206 kNm

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVE # 2

Locate and employ information on auger rigs

The Contractor is to install drilled shafts 96" in diameter to a depth of 110 feet. Using the Rig Manufacturer information sheets, identify the rigs capable of doing the job by manufacturer and model. No crane rigs please.



## AUGER BITS AND TOOLS

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It has often been said that an auger drill, no matter how large or powerful, is no better than the tool at the end of the kelly. If you have ever tried to use a small hand drill with a worn bit, you can relate to how it can affect production.

For that reason, tools have been fabricated for virtually every below ground condition imaginable. The most common augers can be classified as either dirt (soil) or rock types, with variations of each as to the number of flights, teeth, and lead bit. Many contractors build their own designs, but there are a number of manufacturers who specialize in drilling tools as well.

#### **AUGER BITS & TOOLS**

#### **Earth Auger Bits**

• Single or double flight

Auger bits are generally classified as either:

- Earth (Soil) or
- Rock

 Double flight has superior soil removal capability

#### **Rock Auger Bits**

- Double or Triple flight
- Single Core Barrels
- "Air Barrels" (Double Wall Core Barrel)

#### **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT**

The Inspector must be able to:

- Compare to the approved Drilled Shaft Installation Plan
- Note on daily activity report the equipment on-site
- Recognize and document the tool being used
- Recognize and document the condition of the tools

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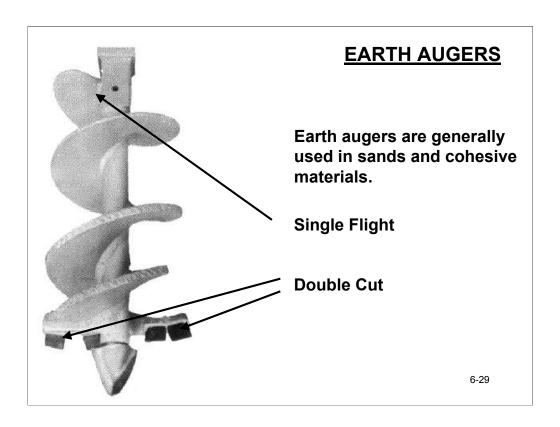
The Inspector must have the knowledge to identify the various drilling tools being used by the Contractor.

Remember- it is not the Inspector's responsibility to direct the Contractor's work or technique.

However, the Inspector must make accurate notes as to the tools and equipment on-site and being used.

If the Contractor only has earth augers on site and rock needs to be penetrated, it is important to have this information notes, as the Contractor may say the material cannot be penetrated and was misrepresented or harder than indicated. May not really be so if they had the right bit.

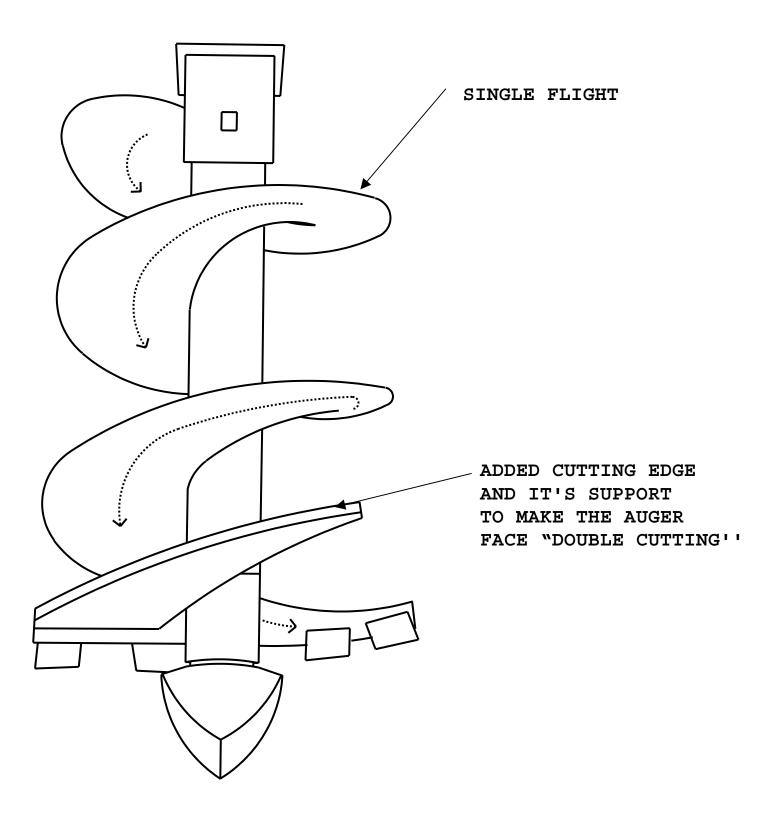
The Inspector's accurate, unbiased observations and documentation can help alleviate problems or questions that might arise.

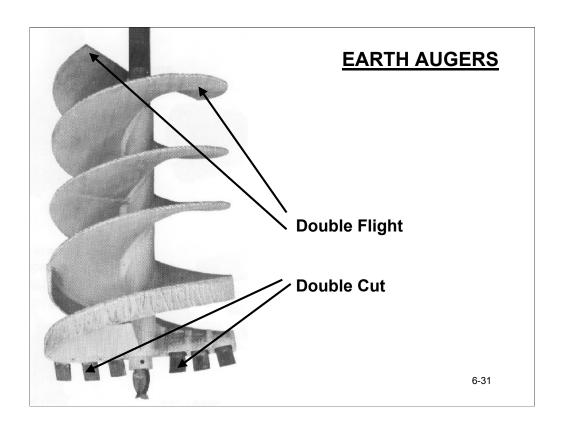


Dirt augers are usually made with single or double flights. Above is a single flight auger designed so as to cut on both sides of the stem. These are distinguished from rock augers by the use of lighter weight material and flat edge blades as cutting teeth. Because of their superior removal capacity, double flight designs are usually best for the fine sandy soils.

Full size drawing follows.

#### SINGLE FLIGHT - DOUBLE CUT EARTH AUGER

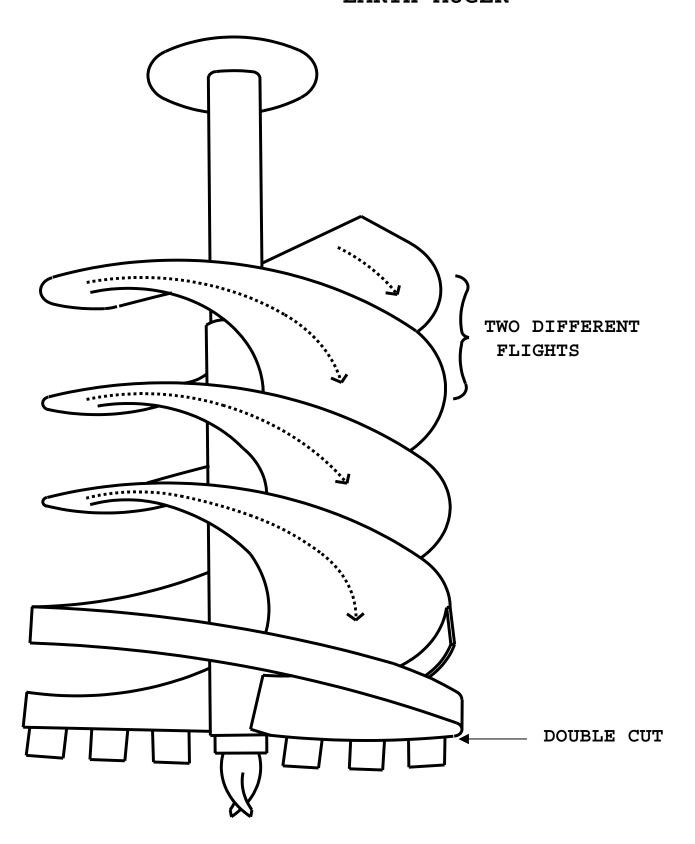


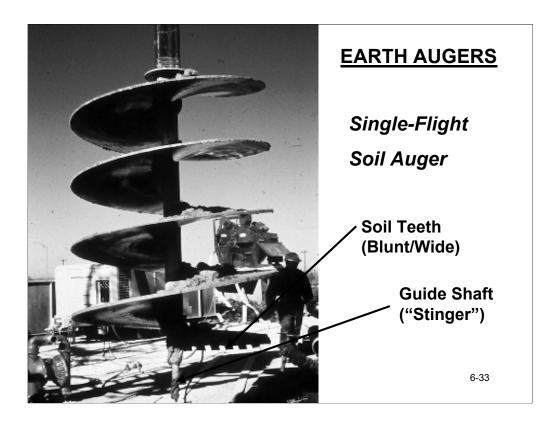


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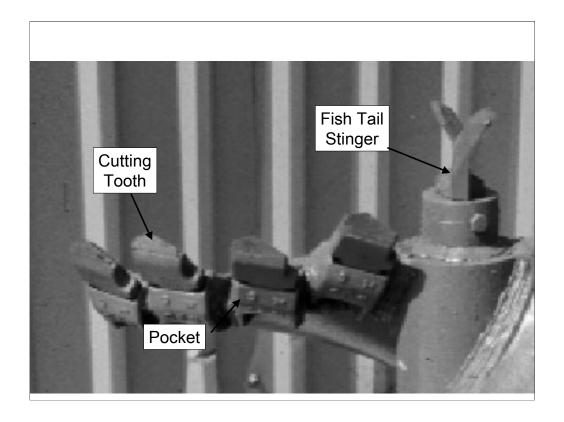
Double cut augers make it easier to keep the hole straight since they are less likely to "walk" to one side.

#### DOUBLE FLIGHT - DOUBLE CUT EARTH AUGER

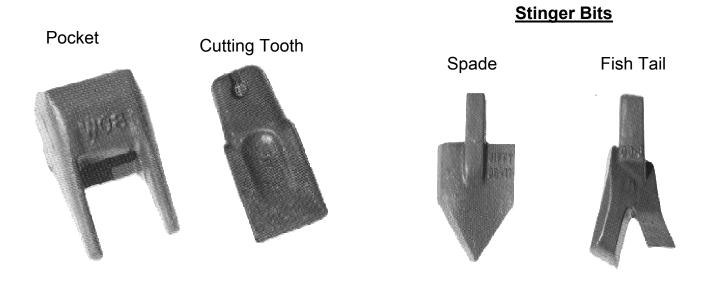


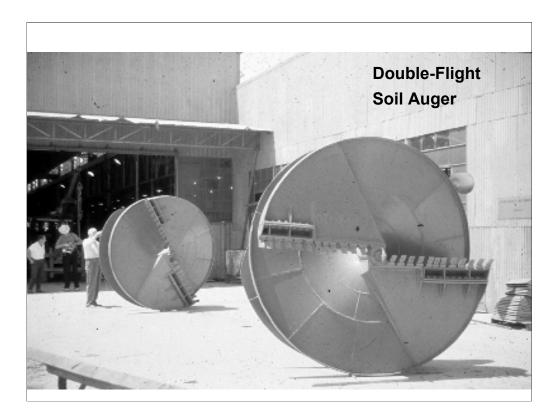


This is a standard single-helix (flight) auger for excavating relatively weak soils that have some cohesion. Sometimes, it can be used to excavate IGM's or soft rock if the IGM or rock is horizontally bedded and bedding planes are very closely spaced. Note the tooth design for gouging out large volumes of soil and the several turns on the auger, which allows for transport of considerable soil to the surface at one pass.

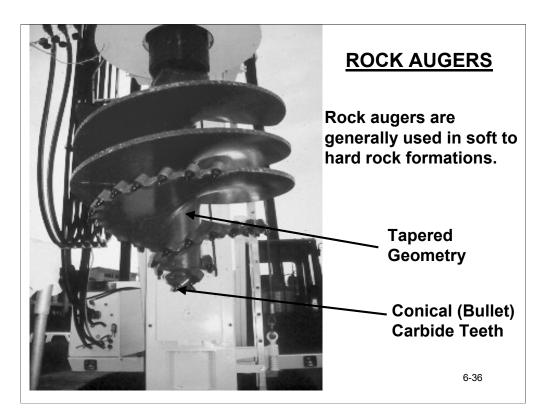


These are typical of the cutting teeth used on earth augers. The Pocket, which holds the cutting teeth, is welded onto the auger. This allows for changing out broken or worn teeth. The stinger bit aids in keeping the axial alignment and minimizing "walking off".



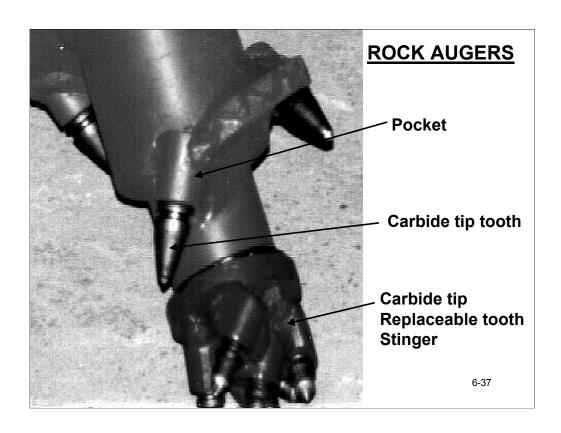


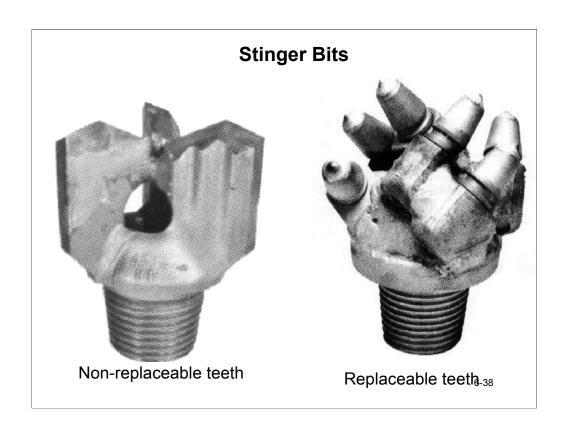
The Contractor may have trouble maintaining hole alignment or jamming the auger in the hole if the hole diameter becomes larger than 5 to 8 feet (1.5 to 2.5 m), depending upon the hardness and regularity of the soil. In such a case, he or she should change to a double helix auger such as this. Note that the opposing rows of teeth will give a balanced torque reaction on the cutting face. The auger has only a little more than one turn to reduce torque reaction from the sidewalls.

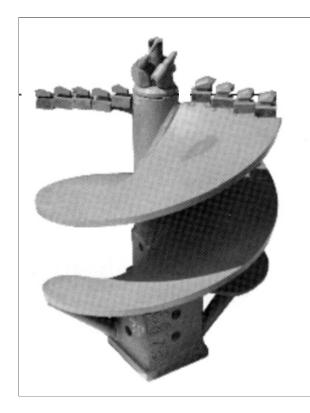


When soil augers and buckets fail to excavate the geomaterial, contractors frequently use rock augers. A typical rock auger is shown here. The rock is broken into small pieces by the ripping (tungsten carbide) teeth and either lifted out on the auger or removed with a claim or other tool. Some rock is so hard, however, that rock augers will not be effective.



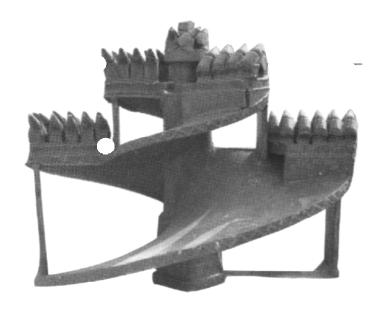






## **ROCK AUGERS**

This is typical rock auger designed for drilling in soft to medium rock.



Rock auger for soft rock.



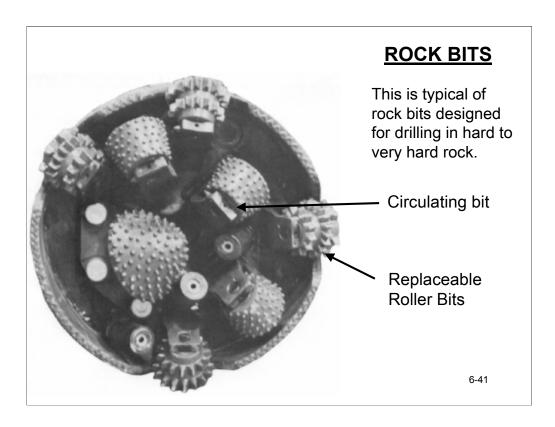
## **ROCK AUGERS**

These are typical of rock augers designed for drilling in hard rock.

BULLET STEP TYPE 3 Way Rock Auger



**R-5000** Step Type Rock Auger



When rock augers are not sufficient to excavate rock because it is too hard, these (and other) tools might be considered.

Above is a cluster drill. This tool beats (pulverizes) the rock, and using a process known as "reverse circulation," sucks the slurry-cuttings suspension off the bottom of the borehole. These devices will work in massive rock even when core barrels will not.

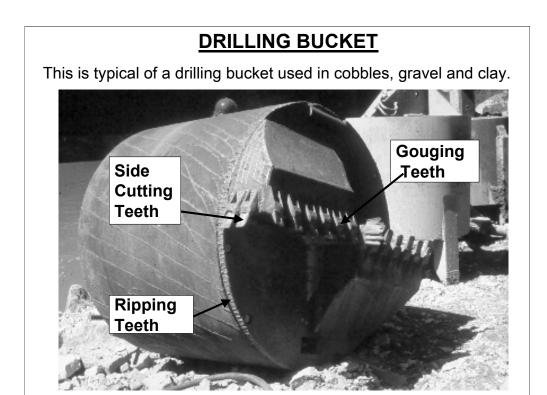


This is a step-faced roller bit, which grinds rock first in a small pilot hole (near the center), which weakens the remaining rock in the borehole, followed by the remainder of the hole (near the outer circumference). Cuttings are forced to the surface with compressed air with this tool.

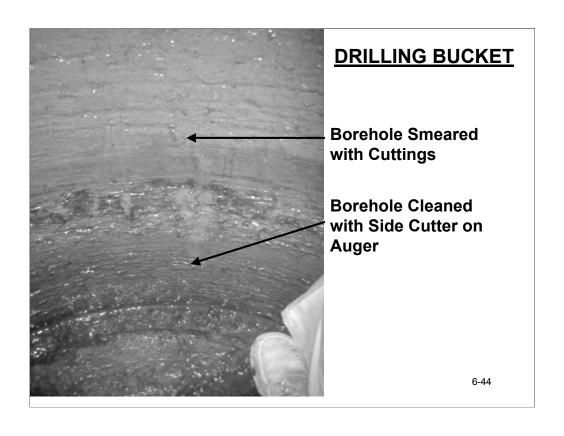


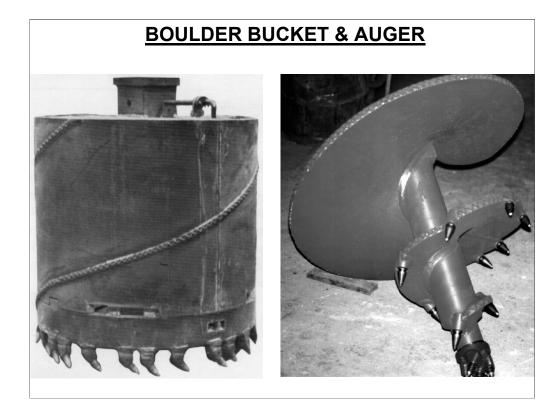


Does not use circulation to remove cuttings and is designed for small jobs with minimal footage. Uses replaceable roller bits.

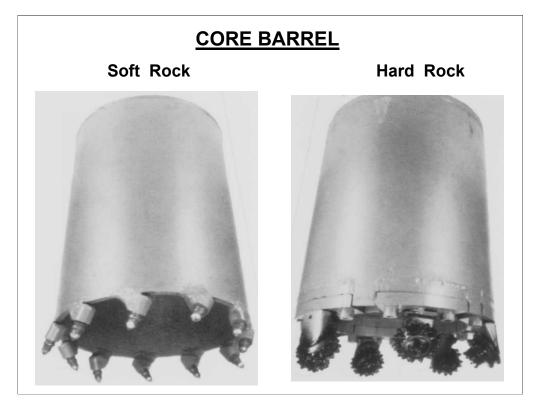


An auger will not work well in a truly cohesionless soil, like a sand or gravel, especially below the water table, where boreholes are often filled with drilling fluid. In such soil contractors often use drilling buckets, like this one. It is a good idea that these tools be vented to allow drilling fluids to bypass them during insertion and extraction of the tool when drilling under a fluid. This circumvents creating a piston effect during insertion or suction during extraction, which may cause the borehole to collapse. A flattened side or simple pipe passing through the tool can often be used for this purpose. Although it is the Contractor's responsibility to excavate the drilled shafts, when he or she cannot do so, it becomes the Engineer's problem. So, details such as this can be important.





Drilling Contractors and their suppliers have devised many ingenious tools. The one on the left, by the Stephen Hain Company, is a barrel (open-bottom bucket with tungsten carbide teeth around the perimeter of the bottom edge) that is used to maneuver boulders into the borehole and flaps that then grab the boulder to allow the driller to lift it to the surface for disposal. This tool can be used to augment drilling augers and buckets. Other devices, such as boulder rooters (tapered augers) can also be used for this purpose.



Harder, more dense rock formations may require the use of core barrels to speed advancement of the hole.

The concept of a core barrel is to minimize the amount of rock that has to be "cut" in order to deepen the hole, thereby accelerating the process. By using a single tube design, shown above left, the cutting force (down pressure and torque) can be concentrated along the perimeter of the barrel. This barrel uses replaceable carbide tipped "bullet" teeth.

Larger drill units with sufficient down pressure and torque can utilize "air barrels" (on right above) effectively. This system uses large volumes of compressed air in conjunction with a double wall core barrel which can be equipped with a variety of cutting devices. These cutters can be replaced when worn, or exchanged for button-type bits for harder rock formations.



Above is a 10-foot-diameter, double-walled core barrel.



## **BELLING TOOL**

This is typical of a Belling tool used to "bell" the bottom of an excavation.

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A belling tool can be used to make enlarged bases for drilled shafts in the dry or casing drilling processes.





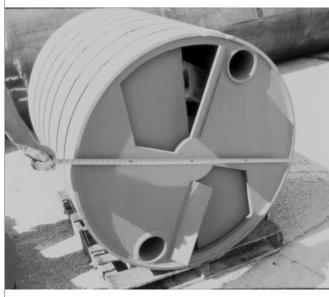




Percussion drilling involves lifting and dropping a heavy tool on rock or boulders to break it up (such as the "chum drill" on the left) and then lifting out the debris (as with the borehole clam on the right). This method can be used in hard rock when core barrels will not work. More frequently it is used in boulder fields or zones of fragmented rock.



#### **CLEANOUT (MUCK) BUCKET**



This is typical of a cleanout (muck) bucket used to cleanout the cuttings and sediments from the bottom of the shaft.

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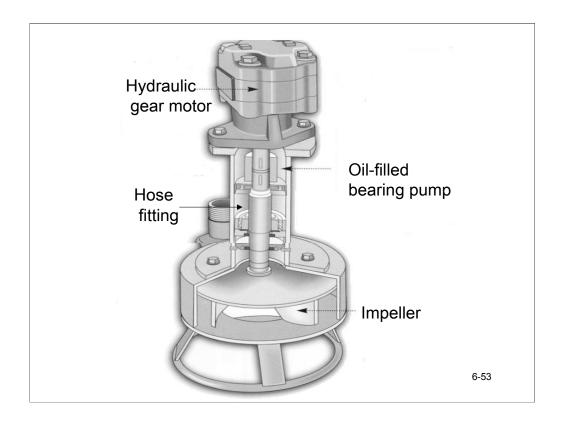
These rotating bottom muck buckets are used to remove the sediments and cuttings from the bottom of the shaft.

Normally cleanout buckets are at least 6 inches to 1 foot or more, smaller than the hole diameter, enabling movement around the hole bottom while reducing the danger of putting large negative pressures on the shaft excavation when the tool is withdrawn. Holes incorporated in this design assist in minimizing suction as well. This can be very important where rock formations contain significant amounts of sand.



For final cleaning of the shaft, contractors frequently use down-the-hole pumps.

A hydraulically driven version of such a pump is shown here. Normally mineral slurry is pumped from the bottom of the shaft to a desanding unit while fresh slurry is replaced in the top of the shaft. Pumping shafts from the bottom greatly speeds the operation of shaft cleaning and gets better end results as opposed to extended periods of using muck buckets alone.

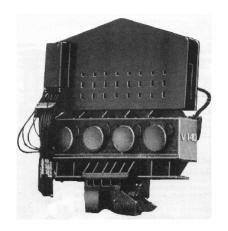


This is a schematic of a hydraulic submersible pump.



Vibratory hammers are used to install and remove casing.

#### **VIBRATORY HAMMERS**



#### **MKT**

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MODEL	AMPLITUDE (mm)		ECCENTRIC MOMENT (kg-cm)		MAX. LINE PULL (kN)	
V-2A V-5C V-17 V20B V-30 V-140	0.75" 0.75" 0.75" 0.75" 1.0"	19 mm 19 mm 19 mm 19 mm 25.4 mm 25.4mm	0.75" 0.75" 0.75" 0.75" 1.0"	19 mm 19 mm 19 mm 19 mm 25.4 mm 25.4mm	15,962 59,802 119,829 119,829 159,847 299,910	71 266 533 533 711 1,334



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MODEL	AMPLITUDE		ECCENTRIC MOMENT (kg-cm)		MAX. LINE PULL (kN)	
216 416L 612 815 1412B	0.25-0.75" 0.25"-0.75" 0.5"-1.0" 0.5"-1.0" 1.0"-1.5"	6.35-19.0 mm 6.35-19.0 mm 12.7-25.4 mm 12.7-25.4 mm 25.4-38.1 mm	2,200 in-lbs 4,400 in-lbs	1,256 2,534 5,069 5,069 11,520	59,850 lbs 80.035 lbs 80,035 lbs 100,044 lbs 300,134 lbs	267 kN 356 kN 356 kN 445 kN 1,335 kN

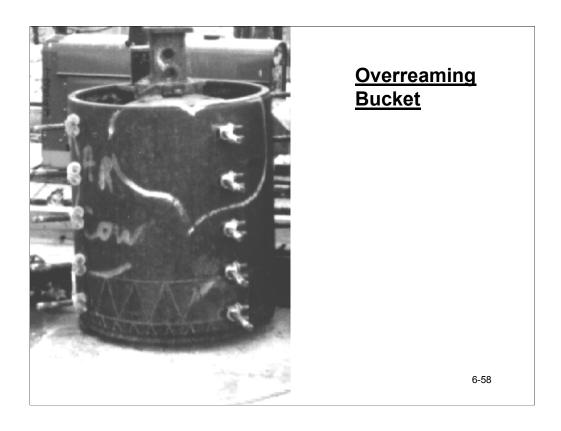
## **MISCELLANEOUS OTHER TOOLS**

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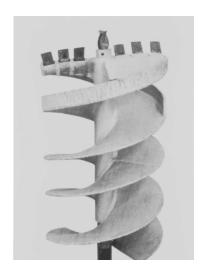


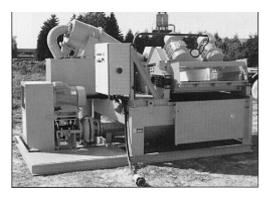
## <u>LEARNING OBJECTIVE # 3</u> Identify drilling tools and explain their uses







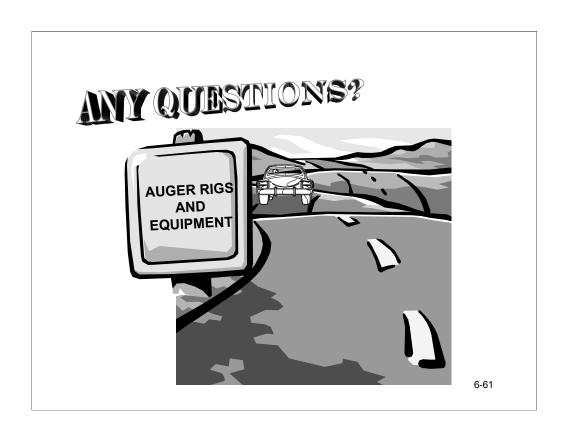






### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- Identify auger rig components
- Locate and employ information on auger rigs
- Identify drilling tools and explain their uses



# **NOTES**
